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My dear Mr Forman

Many thanks for your welcome letter of the 29th it was a most pleasant surprise, for I had imagined you had left London for a summer trip, and that I should hear no more of you till the end of September.

Sir C Dilke answered my letter immediately, informing me that the matter of the pension was in the hands of Lord Hartington. I suppose I may now hope with reason, for a favorable issue of our long desired pretensions

When will the next pension list be published?

The question of the subscription

fund, I leave entirely to your discretion for you are much more able to judge what is for my interest than I am. The expenses of journeys, postage etcetera you will have the kindness to deduct.

I thank you for the offer of funds, at present I will not draw; but will endeavour to delay some little time longer.

I have just received a letter from Mr Field, he says he called upon you twice, but had not the pleasure of seeing you.

I have several letters of my dear Brother John, but they were written to a mere child, and of no public interest. had I been some years older at the time they were written, they would have been invaluable.

I think, but I am not quite sure, that poor Jem was buried

in Cripplegate Church, where I believe all my family are buried, except John and George who rest in a foreign land, which will one day be my fate.

With kindest regards from all the family, believe me to remain

Yours very sincerely

Fanny Blake de Lacy

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